

The Little Rock Nine & the Congressional Gold Medal

Middle School Frameworks

Objectives

1. Students will understand what the Congressional Gold Medal is and why different people receive the award
2. Students will understand who the Little Rock Nine are and what they did in order to receive the Congressional Gold Medal.
3. Students will use primary sources to analyze how the Little Rock Nine inspired President Clinton and others around the world.
4. Students will understand ways in which they and others can help make the world a better place.

Grade 7

Strand: Civics

Standard 4: Government

Students shall develop an understanding of the forms and roles of government.

Forms and Roles of Government

C.4.7.1

Discuss the different ways executive, legislative, and judicial powers have been organized

Strand: Civics

Standard 5: Citizenship

Students shall develop an understanding of the rights and responsibilities of citizens.

Roots of Democracy

C.5.7.2

Investigate the significance of icons, *artifacts*, and symbols of civilizations using *primary* and *secondary sources* (e.g., flags, statues, monuments, coins, heraldry)

Rights and Responsibilities of Citizens

C.5.7.3

Examine rights, privileges, and responsibilities citizens and non-citizens had in civilizations based upon gender, socio-economic class, ethnicity, religion, or caste.

Grade 8

Strand: Civics

Standard 5: Citizenship

Students shall develop an understanding of the rights and responsibilities of citizens.

Rights and Responsibilities of Citizens

C.5.8.3

Discuss struggles to gain rights for citizens in various countries (e.g., China, France, Mexico, South Africa, and the United States)

C.5.8.5

Analyze the influence citizen participation has on government.

Arkansas History 7th-8th

WWP.9.AH.7-8.4

Examine the civil rights movement in Arkansas using primary and secondary sources (e.g., Little Rock Central, Hoxie)

WWP.9.AH.7-8.5

Identify political leaders and their major contributions after World War II (e.g., Sid McMath, Orval Faubus, J. William Fulbright, John McClellan, Winthrop Rockefeller, Wilbur Mills, Dale Bumpers, David Pryor, **Bill Clinton**, Mike Huckabee)